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Subject: Re: benthic approach draft memo
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Attachments: [Robert.Neely.vcf](#)
[PredBenthicModelDirectionMemo101105.doc](#)

And ... here's the attachment.

Robert.Neely wrote:

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> Thanks to Jay, Joe and Jen for their help in putting this draft
> benthic approach memo together.
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> FYI Joe and Jen -- per Jay's comment, I've deleted the first threshold
> for statistical significance. The 10, 20, and 30 percent thresholds
> remain, which Jay feels is more than sufficient.
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> I've also included language in the first paragraph acknowledging that
> this request may necessitate some adjustments to schedule, which it
> probably will.
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> Can you guys each take a close look at this so we can discuss next
> steps and hopefully get it out the door asap? Jay would like to really
> focus on it for the next few days but is somewhat hesitant to do so
> until he has some degree of comfort about what the directed approach
> will be.
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> -R
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> Jay Field wrote:
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>> Rob,
>> looks good, except I do not think it useful to include a threshold
>> for statistical significance only. From my conversation with
>> Lorraine, LWG has already looked at this
>> and found it to be of little utility. I would attach no significance
>> to an evaluation that did not also include a minimum difference from
>> control or response value.
>> Jay
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>> Robert Neely wrote:
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